

What Is Claimed Is:

1. A method for driver information and for a reaction when leaving the traffic lane, the driver information and/or as a reaction a vehicle intervention taking place if the vehicle threatens to leave the traffic lane; at least one boundary of the traffic lane being recorded, wherein the warning and the reaction are a function of the driving situation of the vehicle.
2. The method as recited in Claim 1, wherein the driving situation is determined by the type of boundary markings and/or the traffic situation in the neighboring lane, in the direction towards which leaving is to be expected.
3. The method as recited in one of the preceding claims, wherein a warning and a reaction takes place if the boundary marking of the traffic lane is a solid line traffic lane marking.
4. The method as recited in one of the preceding claims, wherein a driver warning and a vehicle intervention does not occur, or occurs less conspicuously, if the boundary marking of the traffic lane is a broken line traffic lane marking.
5. The method as recited in one of the preceding claims, wherein a driver warning and a vehicle intervention occur if, in the neighboring lane, into which the vehicle may possibly enter, oncoming traffic is to be expected.
6. The method as recited in one of the preceding claims, wherein a driver warning and a vehicle intervention occur delayed in time, or having less intensity, if the neighboring lane, into which the vehicle may possibly travel, is a breakdown strip.
7. The method as recited in one of the preceding claims, wherein a less conspicuous warning occurs in that a blinker noise and/or an acoustical warning having a softer tone and/or a smaller or less conspicuous optical display takes place.
8. The method as recited in one of the preceding claims,

wherein in response to a broken line traffic marking, a driver warning and a driver intervention take place only if oncoming traffic was actually recognized, or if a vehicle is moving in the same travel direction near the vehicle.

9. The method as recited in one of the preceding claims,  
wherein in response to a suppressed and inconspicuous driver warning, the activation of the corresponding blinker takes place to inform other traffic participants.
10. A device for driver information and for reaction upon leaving the traffic lane, having an evaluation unit which activates a warning to the driver and/or a vehicle intervention when there is a threat of leaving the lane, having a microcomputer which includes a program which records at least one boundary marking of the traffic lane, wherein the driver warning and/or the vehicle intervention is a function of the driving situation.